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THE BANK receives Money on Deposit, Buys and Sells Bills of Exchange, Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS: Fixed for 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 "  
" 3 " 3 "

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

E.W. RUTTER,  
Manager.

Hongkong, September 4, 1890. 1325

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$8,103,002.50  
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On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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THOMAS JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 11, 1890. 363

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG & SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is directed to Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THOMAS JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 13, 1890. 754

## Intimations.

### BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on THURSDAY NEXT, the 1st January.

For the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China.

C. F. ROWBAND,  
Manager, Hongkong.

For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
Manager, Hongkong.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

For the New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited.

E. W. RUTTER,  
Manager, Hongkong.

For the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris.

L. GLENAT,  
Acting Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2252

PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

BY a Resolution of the Board of Directors, the SHARES bearing the following Numbers have been declared FORFEITED, therefore are not Negotiable.

1219/1218, 552/031, 2037/2121, 2127/2156,

2157/2176, 542/551, 2500/2520, 277/2800,

3406/3505, 3856/3885, 227/301, 2816/2825,

382/391, 1076/1080, 3141/3155, 3166/3190.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. WHEELER,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890. 2257

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD CALL of £10,126 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 Shares, NEW ISSUE, of this Corporation will fall due on the 31st December current in LONDON, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, SHANGHAI and HONGKONG.

Registered Shareholders are requested to pay at the respective Offices the above Call or its equivalent in the above-mentioned places, sending at same time the Provisional Certificates to be endorsed.

The rate of Exchange for the THIRD CALL is fixed in Hongkong at 3/5 per £ or 56.20 per Share.

Interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum will be charged on overdue Calls.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, December 24, 1890. 2226

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,  
Manager.

Hongkong, December 13, 1890. 2138

ROUYER, GUILLET & CO., COGNAC, France.

For Ten Years

of

BULK

BRANDY.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS DIRECT

AS TO

London Branch,

ROUYER, GUILLET & CO.,

59, Mark Lane, London, E.C.

14th August, 1890. 1443

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY the 8th day of January, 1891, at 12 o'clock noon, when the following Special Resolution will be submitted, viz.:

"That in pursuance of the Companies' Memorandum of Association, Ordinance 1890, the provisions of the Company's existing Memorandum of Association with respect to the objects of the Company be altered by eliminating from the 2nd and 3rd lines of the 3rd Clause of the said Memorandum of Association the words 'in the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies' (at not elsewhere where) and by substituting therefor the words 'in any part of the world.'

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY the 5th to THURSDAY the 8th January, 1891, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, December 27, 1890. 2227

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, December 2, 1890. 2068

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., Wine and Spirit Merchants, 13, Queen's Road.

CHAMPAGNES—Best Brands.

CLARETS—Chateau Vintages.

SHERRIES—PORTS, BURGUNDIES,

ROOKS and WHITE WINES.

Special Selected BRANDIES and GINS.

SCOTCH WHISKIES—BULLOCH, QADE & CO.

IRISH and AMERICAN WHISKIES.

LIQUEURS and BITTERS.

BOTTLED ALES and STOUTS.

APOLLONIUS—ROSBAKH and BELL.

THAL MINERAL WATERS.

Hongkong, December 22, 1890. 2110

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will pay the 1st JANUARY, 1891, Issue INTEREST on WARRANTS of £5 per Share, Payable at the HONGKONG and SWANSEA BANKING CORPORATION, on or before the 15th January, 1891.

INTEREST at the Rate of 1% per annum will be charged on all Calls overdues.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 16, 1890. 2167

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, December 24, 1890. 2226

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

N. O. 17, PRAYA—CENTRAL.

A Spacious GODOWN—suitable for SHIPHAND

## THE CHINA MAIL.

## Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM ANTWERP, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Pingay*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

## To-day's Advertisements

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Kriemhild*, Captain Ehlers, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from the Godowns.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th January will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2258

## TO LET.

HOUSES at THE PEAK and at BELLIOS TERRACE,  
GODOWNS in DUDDLE STREET,  
ROOM and SHOP No. 6, BEACONSFIELD  
ARCADE, Queen's Road.

Apply to BELLIOS & CO.  
Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2261

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
FOR SINGAPORE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at JAVA PORTS and taking through cargo for ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND & TASMANIA.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Milk Maru*, Capt. J. B. MACMILLAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on the 6th of January, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2189

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, PORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL and BREMEN.)

The Steamship *Iphigenia*, Captain L. VÖRTER, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 7th January, 1891, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890. 2200

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA, LIMITED, CHEWISTS, &c.

PURE WINES.

We beg to invite careful attention to the following selection from our Wine List, for we have succeeded in combining purity and excellence of quality with moderate prices.

SHERRY.

VINO GENEROSO—a generic round wine, green seal \$6.00 \$1.00

VINO DE PASEO—a medium dry wine with delicate flavour, red seal \$10.00 \$1.00

AMONTILLADO—a high class natural wine for connoisseurs of Sherry, yellow seal \$12.00 \$1.10

DELICIOSO—the very finest sherry procurable, 6 years in bottle \$14.00 \$1.25

PORT.

Superior quality \$10.00 \$1.00

Invalid Port, gold seal \$12.00 \$1.10

Old Tawny, soft and mature, black seal \$14.00 \$1.25

Especially selected old vintage \$20.00 \$1.75

BURGUNDY.

BEAUNE—a full-bodied Red Burgundy with strengthening properties \$14.00 \$1.25

CHABLIS—a mellow White Burgundy, fine flavour and bouquet \$14.00 \$1.25

CHAMPAGNE.

AVIZÉ—a well-matured, specially selected dry wine \$18.00 \$1.75

ERMITAGE—VIN-BRUT

—CUVEE ROYALE As Supplied regularly to the Prince of Wales, House of Commons, and the chief clubs in London &c. \$22.00 \$2.00

Per case of 24 pints \$23.00 \$1.00

We are sole agents in China for the sale of this splendid wine.

TELEPHONE NO. 61.

Nos 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. 211C

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

December 29, 1890.—

Palawan, British steamer, 335, J. Jenkins, Saigon December 25, Rice—Hops—Hemp.

Hongkong, December 29, 1890.

TO BE LET.

A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, No. 3, "WILD DELL BUILDINGS," Wan Chai Road (opposite Battery). No. 1 (corner House facing East) and No. 6 (corner House facing West), RICHMOND TERRACE.—The former with Conservatory and Tennis Lawn. Each House contains Six Good Rooms and is pleasantly situated.

Apply to HENRY HUMPHREYS, Secretary, Humphreys' Estate and Finance Company, Limited.

Hongkong, December 30, 1890.

TO BE LET OR SOLD, On favourable terms, with immediate possession.

EIGHT HOUSES at MOUNTAIN VIEW, Peak District, near Pinkham's Gap. If sold, part of the purchase money can remain on Mortgage.

Apply to JOHN A. JUDD, Secretary, The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, October 4, 1890. 2262

## Business Notices.

## HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LTD.

1890. FESTIVE SEASON. 1891

## TOYS. DOLLS. CRACKERS.

## CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

## FRENCH CONFECTIIONERY.

## AND USEFUL FANCY GOODS FOR PRESENTS.

## HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LTD.

37 & 39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. 2236

## Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination	Vessel	Agents	Date of Leaving.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Prussia (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Jan. 18, at 11 a.m.
London, v. Suez Canal	Bellerophon (s)	Battell & Swire	January 2.
London	Gangly (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About January 3.
Manila, via Amoy	Diamond (s)	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	About January 1.
Macassar, v. Saigon	Diamond (s)	Russell & Co.	Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.
Nanking & Kobe	Diamond (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Jan. 1, at noon.
New York, v. Suao Canal	Mogul (s)	Adamson, Bell & Co.	January 2.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Diamond (s)	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About January 5.
Denbighshire (s)	Diamond (s)	Russell & Co.	About January 15.
Port Jackson	Prussia (s)	Prussia Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 2, at 4 p.m.
O. & O. S. S. Co.	Prussia (s)	Prussia Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 10, at 4 p.m.
O. & O. S. S. Co.	Prussia (s)	Prussia Mail S. S. Co.	Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.
Siamese, v. Japan	Prussia (s)	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About January 4.
Shanghai	Prussia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	Jan. 3, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Prussia (s)	D. S. Sackson, Son & Co.	Dec. 31, at 5 p.m.
Geo. Stevens & Co.	Prussia (s)	Geo. Stevens & Co.	Jan. 6, at noon.
Spore, S'pore & M'no	Prussia (s)	Siemens & Co.	Jan. 2, at 4 p.m.
Spore, Havr & H'p'nt	Prussia (s)	Russell & Co.	Jan. 2, at 4 p.m.
S'pore, M'no & A'laid	Prussia (s)	Prussia Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 3, at noon.
Swatow, Amoy & T'au	Prussia (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 1, daylight.
Vancouver (B.C.)	Prussia (s)	Parthia (s)	Jan. 8, at noon.

## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS—DECEMBER 29, 1890

Stocks	No. of Shares	Value	Paid-up	Closing Quotations, Cash
HANKOK and Shanghai Bank Corp.	60,000	\$ 125	\$ 125	\$ 262 1/2 prem., sales, sellers
New Issue.		\$ 125	\$ 62.50	\$ 270
MARINE INSURANCES.				
China Insurance Office, Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$ 250	\$ 211 1/2	
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$ 83.33	\$ 25	\$ 64
China Insurance Co., Limited	1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 200 nominal	
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$ 200	\$ 100	\$ 300, sellers
Strata Insurance Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$ 100	\$ 20	\$ 200 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	10,000	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 100	\$ 87	sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$ 250	\$ 137	buyers
Strata Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 10	\$ 8	\$ 18 buyers
Fire and Marine Insurances.				
Singapore Insurance Company, Ltd.	40,000	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 9
DOCKS.				
Hkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	12,500	\$ 125	\$ 6	6% prem., buyers
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	3,000	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 131
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 48
H. & U. M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$ 20	\$ 10	\$ 300 dis.
Lapak China S. N. Company, Ltd.	2,000	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 30 buyers
Steam Launch Company, Limited.				
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited.	15,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 172
Luxon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 98, nominal
H. & K. K'WAI & Godown Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 82
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.	30,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 91, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company.				
Peak Building Company.				
Richmond Terrace Building Co.	1,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 200
Shanghai Land Company, Limited.	12,500	\$ 50	\$ 10	\$ 207 1/2
West Point Building Co., Limited.	19,875	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 108 1/2 buyers
Trust and Loan Co. of China, Ltd.	1,250	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 120 1/2
PLANTINGS, ETC.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 115
Jejebu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	4,500	\$ 5	\$ 10	\$ 32
Panjung & Sun Lin Co., Ltd.	15,500	\$ 5	\$ 10	\$ 82 buyers
Mining Co.				
Selama Tin Mining Company, Limited.	115,000	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 21 1/2
Société Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin.	25,000	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 22
The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 1

This Agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that the *s.s. Sagitarius*, with Mails &c., left Saigon for this port to-day (Tuesday), at 2 p.m.

The Legislative Council meets on Monday, 5th January, 1891, at 3 p.m. The following are the Orders of the Day:

1. Financial Minutes.
2. Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance for the Naturalization of Li Si Tong.
3. Committee on the Bill Entitled An Ordinance for the Naturalization of Choi Kai otherwise Chai Tien.
4. Committee on the Bill entitled The Gambling Ordinance, 1890.
5. Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Bankruptcy.

**BODIES** is often rather singular at this season of the year. We are glad, however, to find that our morning contemporary has been able, in the course of a fortnight, to digest and assimilate the ideas set forth with regard to the Happy Valley improvements in a letter signed "Another Jockey," which appeared in our issue of the 12th inst. Our correspondent then wrote:

"The Race Course is all right as it is; it is very little time since it was raised, and then the riding community were deprived of the use of the course for a long time—(nearly a year). If it is touched again the result will probably be the same, and it is the only place in the Colony that is fit for riding on, it will be great privation if it is again shut up."

The Hon. C. P. Chater is reported to have said in Council that the first heavy rain would wash three courses. At the present moment the riding community with it would come, so, as far as it is only in want of water. If so, it is only in a danger, could not the present care, washed out a bit to prevent any damage, though it seems strange that when the Courses R. come 3 feet lower at the Lowering End, heavy rain-storms did not always damage the course. We cannot reasonably expect a deluge like the one of May 1829; and if we are unfortunate enough to be visited by another such, the Race Course will not be the only place to suffer."

"If the danger hinted at is brought about in any way by the filling up of the Pond, it would be interesting to know, if this result was clearly understood who the work was decided on?"

Yesterday the *Daily Pos* managed to evolve from its inner consciousness the following:

"If this expenditure of drainage is necessary, is it because the pond has been filled in? If so we have an illustration of how things are worked by the Government. In the first place a sum is asked for to fill in the pond, a quite unnecessary work in itself. Nothing is at the time as to its necessitating an alteration of the drainage, but when the work has been secured and the work has been almost completed, further large funds demanded for drainage purposes. But even with the pond filled in, we think that the drainage of the ground that he made efficient without going to the expense of diverting the canal and the river which runs along one side of the city. The Hon. C. P. Chater, in the session in Finance Committee, remarked that at present the Jockey Club had to take a great deal of trouble to prevent being washed on to the course. It is, however, only in exceptionally heavy falls such as that of May, 1890, that inconvenience is experienced from this cause. Probably no one now living will see such a storm again. The risk of debris being washed on to the course is so remote, the inconvenience when it does occur comparatively trifling, that it cannot be justified upon as in any degree justify the expenditure it is proposed to incur."

The Penang *Gazette* understands there is a prospect of the North German Lloyd's Company's steamer calling there by.

The Foochow native paper states the tea trade in Formosa this year, been very brisk, and that the Douglas Gany had three steamers carrying the tea.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha are expanding the sphere of their operations and arranging to run the Tsingtao Meween Japan and Manilas via Amoy.

CAPTAIN Edwards, of the Northamptonshire Regiment, while out riding in Singapore, was thrown from his horse and picked up on the road side in a lame condition. It was found that he had not been severely injured. He was not in danger when the last mail left.

On late the abduction of children seen have been of frequent occurrence in Yichow. The cause is attributed to man in the minds of the Japanese, namely of famished stricken people coming to the mighty and well-disciplined army of the north to the city. There must be, at the same time, that the articles before us show more than ordinary research and command of facts. The Tokyo periodical thinks that many of its countrymen over-rate the effective strength of Russia as an Asiatic Power. To disprove this erroneous notion is the task which the Nippon sets itself in the present essay. There are, says our contemporary, three things which, of all others, excite feelings of alarm and terror in the minds of the Japanese, namely the south and west of Asia is such that she could not spare troops to operate actively against any country in the Far East. The Nippon writes at great length, dating these points with copious references to statistical and historical facts, so cannot follow it into such minutiae. Two o'clock noon.—A line of fifty guns from the men-of-war and the shore battery. The Volunteers to be also invited to salute.

Jan. 22.—Public holiday commencing at 11.30 a.m.

Review of the Naval and Land Forces in the Happy Valley at 8 p.m.; His Excellency the Governor attending in state.

Jan. 20.—Public Ball at the City Hall, Subscription 55. Ladies to be invited by the Invitation Committee.

Jan. 21.—Meeting of the Executive and Legislative Councils, at 9.30 a.m., for the purpose of despatching a telegraphic message to the Queen and the Secretary of State.

Jan. 22.—A special service in St. John's Cathedral; the dignitaries and ministers of denominations other than the Church of England to be invited to hold similar services at their several places of worship.

Twelve o'clock noon.—A line of fifty guns from the men-of-war and the shore battery.

The Volunteers to be also invited to salute.

Jan. 23.—Public holiday commencing at 11.30 a.m.

Review of the Naval and Land Forces in the Happy Valley at 8 p.m.; His Excellency the Governor attending in state.

In the evening, performance of "Gondoliers," unless previously held on 22nd Jan. Soldiers, Sailors and members of the Police Force to be invited to the dress rehearsal.

Jan. 24.—Pony Races under the auspices of the Jockey Club and Polo Matches under the auspices of the Polo Club, to take place in the afternoon.

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